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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
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Total Claims 20** = X =
Independent Claims 3 = X =
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1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
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1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
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1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
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1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
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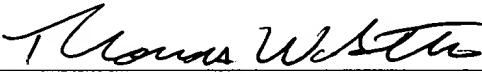
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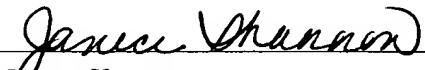
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